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Silk industry.

* 1083 *Q.*—Sri S. C. VIRUPAKSHIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state— 9 a.m

(*a*) whether any portion of the amount received from the Central Government out of the Handloom Cess Fund, has been allotted to promote the interests of handloom weavers in silk yarn; and

(*b*) if not, why?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answers given to question No. 451 and its supplementaries on 29th March 1954. This Government since addressed the All-India Handloom Board in the matter and the nature and extent of financial assistance to be granted to the Handloom Silk Industry from the Cess Fund is now under consideration by the Board."

Leave facilities to teachers.

* 1084 *Q.*—Sri S. DAIVASIGAMONEY (on behalf of Sri K. R. Sambandam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the teachers (Higher grade and Secondary grade) appointed before 1935 are eligible for leave with full pay, while others are not?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" No, Sir."

First-grade college for Tanjore.

* 1085 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Special Officer, Tanjore District Board, has surrendered the available funds accrued from the Rajah's Charities under the management of the district board to the Government of Madras; and

(*b*) if so, why and for what purpose?

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) & (*b*) No. But there is a proposal to divert a sum of Rs. 4,93,700 from out of the funds of the Chattram Endowments for the purpose of financial guarantee to the University of Madras in connexion with the opening of a first grade College at Tanjore. Final orders have not yet been issued on the proposal. "

Sri S. RAMALINGAM :—" ஜில்லா போர்டு பள்ளிக்கூடத்தில் படித்துக்கொண்டிருந்த எல்லா ஹரிஜன மாணவர்களுக்கும் பகல் உணவு இலவசமாகக் கொடுக்கப்பட்டுவந்தது. இந்த ஆண்டிலிருந்து அதை நிறுத்திவிட்டார்கள். சத்திர நிதிகளிலிருந்து லட்சக்கணக்கான ரூபாய் கோவில்களுக்குச் செலவு செய்யப்படுகிறது. ஆகவே, இந்தத் தொகையிலிருந்தாவது ஹரிஜன மாணவர்களுக்கு பகல் உணவு இலவசமாக அளிப்பதற்கு நடவடிக்கை எடுக்க சர்க்கார் முன்வருவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" அங்கத்தினர் கூறிய யோசனையைப் பரிசீலனை செய்துபார்க்கிறோம்."

SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" Arising out of the answer of the Hon. Minister that a sum of about Rs. 5 lakhs will be diverted from out of the funds of the Chattram Endowments for the opening of a First Grade College at Tanjore, may I know whether the Government will expedite the matter in view of the fact that the College will have to be opened next June or July? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The authorities have to fulfil certain conditions of the University. They are being examined. I do not think it will be possible to start the College in the next academic year. However, we shall try."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" தஞ்சாவூர் ஸ்பெஷல் ஆபீஸர் கிருஸ்துவ இனத்திற்கு மட்டும் சலுகை கொடுக்கிறார். மற்றும் உபாத்தியாயர், கண்ட்ராக்டர் போன்ற சிறிய அதிகாரிகளை துன்புறுத்துவது பற்றி அரசாங்கத்திற்கு எதாவது தகவல் கிடைத்திருக்கிறதா ? கலெக்டர் அவர்களிடம் இதுபற்றி எம்.எல்.எ.-க்கள் புகார் செய்தால் அரசாங்க அதிகாரிகள்மீது புகார் சொல்லக்கூடாது என்று கூறுகிறார்."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The main question relates to the surrendering the available funds accrued from the Rajah's Charities under the Management of the District Board to the Government. What has the supplementary question put by the hon. Member to do with the main question? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I may be permitted to say a few words in this connexion. With reference to the diversion of the fund, the District Board has to be consulted. They want an effective voice in the management of the College as such. Therefore, the sponsors of the scheme and the District Board will have to come to an agreement in regard to the management of the College. I would request the hon. Member to take an interest in the matter and see that a decision is arrived at, at a very early date, and I may assure the hon. Member that it will be possible to open the College in the next academic year."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question Nos. 1086 and 1087 may be taken up together as they relate to the same subject."

Houses for industrial workers.

* 1086 *Q.*—SRI S. C. VIRUPAKSHIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have any housing scheme for workers in State Industrial concerns financed by Central Government; and

(*b*) if so, what they are?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."